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Re: CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21
Request For Waiver
FORM 471
Funding Year 5 (2002-2003)
Billed Entity number 2553
Application Number 335335

To whom it May Concern:

I am requesting a waiver of the application window deadline for the Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism (E-Rate) As you can see from the attached documentation, our FORM 471 was mailed, via the United Postal Service (USPS), on January 17, 2002 at 12:18 pm. However, the USPS lost the package and has no idea what happened to it. I have, since learning that the package was not delivered to Schools and Libraries Division, re-mailed the package. Unfortunately I was informed, by USAC, that I would need to submit an appeal, via the United States Postal Service, to the FCC.

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Sincerely;

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